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Dear Parents and Supporters,

In light of the national tragedy slowly unfolding around us, here at St. Dom's, we wish to remember what we are grateful for as a community of believers. For all the threat of loss, for all of the actual loss, all of the fear, and all of the great concerns, there is yet so much for us to give thanks. To paraphrase psychologist Viktor Frankl, 'I cannot choose what happens to me, but I can choose my response.' Let us choose to appreciate each other.

Thank you to hard-working teachers who educate our students, thanks to the staff who support the teachers, thanks to the students and the parents who support our students at home and have faith in the school, to our volunteers, and a special thanks to the maintenance and cleaning staff who day after day work to keep our facilities clean and in good repair.

I want to extend a special note of thanks to the Diocese of Portland for their support and our Superintendent, who has spent countless hours keeping the system running, and our Bishop who keeps us before God.

The week ahead of us is Holy Week, the most solemn week in our calendar, and one that amid this crazy time, can all too easily slip past us. Therefore, next Friday, while the school will be in session, Father Seamus will preside over an online devotion of the **Stations of the Cross**. It will be a time where you can pray and meditate upon the sacrifice that sets us free.

On Easter Monday, we will rejoice as a school and begin something unique and fun, our **Spirit week**. During this week, your students will have a chance to share with their classmates and school fun and creative activities that celebrate both Easter and the school of which we are apart. Stay tuned for more about this wonderful idea.

We look forward to hearing and seeing you all,

Pax et Bonum,

Timothy Gallic

P.S. Your feedback, questions, cares, comments or concerns are keenly desired.